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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Senior Citizens Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in The Egg, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Scribner grew up in Granville, New York, where she was raised to understand and appreciate the value of hard work; she spent her illustrious career as a dairy farmer, during which time she was active in the local Grange Farm Bureau and Rural Charity Club; and

WHEREAS, An EMT, Ruth Scribner taught classes in CPR and EMT training, and served as Chairman of the Board of Directors; throughout her tenure, she also spent several weeks in Louisiana following Hurricane Katrina, as well as in New York City following the events of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Scribner was voted 2007 EMT of the Year for a five county region in the Northeast; she retired from the squad in 2013, after 20 years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, Today, a resident of Whitehall, New York, Ruth Scribner continues to operate a maple syrup business following her retirement from farming; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to her community, Ruth Scribner currently serves as Director of the Whitehall Emergency Food Pantry where she has been instrumental in much of its success; she is also on the Board of Directors for Skene Manor, a historical preservation site in Whitehall; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Ruth Scribner has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Vern, their four children and four grandchildren, as well as a great-granddaughter, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Ruth Scribner has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Scribner, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her volun-

teerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation for special

recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016;  
and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ruth Scribner.